

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Nathan Brooks, Pastor

November 22, 2015 ~ 10:45 a.m.

Welcome, Registration & Announcements

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Deacon Jeff Coffin

*Hymns	<i>"Surely the Presence"</i>	#219
	<i>"He Is Here"</i>	#220
	<i>"We Are So Blessed"</i>	#795

Offering

*Gloria Patri		#812
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Morning Prayer

Anthem

Scripture

Psalm 107:33-43

(Responsive reading... see bulletin insert)

Message

"He Humbles and He Lifts"

Nathan Brooks

*Closing Hymn	<i>"He Lifted Me"</i>	#509
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*Benediction

*Postlude

** You are invited to stand if able*

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*\*\* The kneeling rails at the front of the sanctuary are open throughout the service for prayer. \*\**

*\*\*\* Hearing aid devices are available at the Greeter's table. Just turn it on and adjust the volume. \*\*\**

## This Week's Calendar

**Today**            8:00 a.m. .... Handbell Practice  
*November 22*    9:30 a.m. .... Sunday School  
                     10:30 a.m. .... Prayer in Nathan's office  
                     10:40 a.m. .... Morning Announcements  
                     10:45 a.m. .... Morning Worship  
                     6:00 p.m. .... REVIVE!

**Tuesday**        6:00 p.m. .... Choir Practice  
*November 24*    6:00 p.m. .... Cottage Prayer Group

**Wednesday**    6:00 p.m. .... FLAMES  
*November 25*

**Thursday/**            **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING**

**Friday**  
*November 26 & 27*



***Next Week's Scripture:***

John 1:1-4, 10-14



***Birthdays this week:***

November 23    James Malone & Mike Stoner  
November 27    Lyndsey Coffin



*If you are interested in becoming a member of First Baptist Church or if you have questions about what membership means, please feel free to contact Pastor Nathan or one of the Deacons. We would be happy to talk and pray with you.*

## Next Week's Volunteers – November 29

Sound System.....Eric Moody  
Prayer .....Charles Parker  
Children's Worship.....No Children's Worship

### November Volunteers

Greeters ..... Brad & Anne Ellis  
Usher of the Month ..... Charles Porter  
Deacon of the Month .....Jeff Coffin  
Trustee of the Month.....Eric Moody

***If you are unable to work on your scheduled week,  
PLEASE find someone to take your place!***

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A Look at Last Week

Attendance

Sunday School 70
Morning Worship Service 123

Last Week's Giving

General Fund..... \$4,056.15
Food Pantry..... \$123.00
White Christmas..... \$345.00
Brad Pridemore Scholarship \$150.00

Year to Date

General Fund Income..... \$220,510.37
General Fund Expenses..... \$224,293.61
Expenses vs Income \$-3,783.24

First Baptist Church Vision Statement

The First Baptist Church is the body of Christ, nurturing all parts of the body within, bringing Christ to others and others to Christ.



Church Covenant

We, the members of First Baptist Church Bloomfield, having been led by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, most sincerely and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ. We pledge, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit:

To attend the services of FBC Bloomfield regularly for spiritual nourishment, growth and encouragement:

To walk together and watch over one another in Christian love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in times of sickness and difficulty; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation;

To contribute cheerfully and regularly, according to our ability, to the support of FBC Bloomfield and its various activities; to support the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world;

To strive in our family lives to make Jesus Christ the center of our homes;

To cultivate a life of devotion and consecration to God;

To aid and assist prayerfully, loyally and affectionately, the ministers and others who seek to strengthen the witness of FBC Bloomfield;

To conduct ourselves in accordance with the principles of our Lord, in all our social and business relationships;

We enter into this covenant under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, prayerfully asking for Divine guidance and help in this our earnest endeavor.



We invite you to sign the attendance register as it is passed your way and, if you are visiting with us for the first time, we have information for you regarding life at First Baptist.

Prayer Concerns

Friends and loved ones who need Christ
Persecuted Christians around the world
American Baptist Missionaries around the world
For Peace on Earth— Psalm 46:9
US Military personnel around the world
David & Beth Anne Adams (*Sue Sanford*)
Gary Bender (*Friend of Mike & Mindy Small*)
Steve Buccola and family
Dorothy Covey (*Sandy Clark's mother*)
Nancy Covey
Becky Dayhoff
Mason Ellis (*Brad & Anne's grandson*)
Charlie Farmer & Pam Schultz
Charlotte Gabbard (*Joan Vaughn's cousin*)
Gary (*acquaintance of FBC member*)
Ginger (*Friend of Nancy Beall*)
Jayklin Graf (*Steve & Cheri's granddaughter*)
Ruth Gremore (*Cheri Campbell*)
Chris and Laura Harris (*Friends of Brandt Hudson*)
Krista Hudson (*Bob Holt's daughter*)
Diana Lahmann (*friend of Cheri Graf*)
John Lamson
Mike & Carla Neff (*Nancy Covey*)
Deni Pigg (*Becky Dayhoff's cousin*)
Cecilia Pittman (*Sue Sanford's niece*)
Clarence Rudolph (*Nancy Covey's brother*)
Karen Sullivan (*Norm's sister-in-law*)
Madison Toon
Tina Whitney (*Nancy Covey*)

Community Songfest – November 29 @ 6:30

All are welcome! If you have a song you would like to sing, play, or sign, please let Nathan know as soon as you can. The Songfest will be at Bloomfield United Methodist Church.

White Christmas Donations



White
Christmas

White Christmas envelopes have been placed in the pew pockets. If you would like to donate to this program, please use the envelopes or, if writing a check, put “White Christmas” on the memo line and place it in the offering plate.

The Food Pantry Committee will use the donations to purchase food items to provide Christmas breakfast and dinner to families in need.

If you know someone who is in need of a basket, please have them call the church office, 384-8459, by Friday, November 19 to sign up.

Operation Christmas Child

Tis the season to pack your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Actually, you have a couple of options to participate in this mission project. If you would rather contribute shipping costs instead of packing a box, \$7.00 is needed to send each box. Also, if your time is limited, you can pack your box on line. Go to the Samaritan's Purse website for instructions and any other questions about packing your box. It is suggested you include a personal note and a picture. The most important thing you are asked to do is PRAY for the child who will be receiving your shoebox. Samaritan's Purse includes a Bible lesson workbook in each box that introduces the child to Jesus. White River Baptist Church, 174 N. SR 57, Bloomfield is the only collection site in Greene County. Collection week is November 16 through November 23. Call White River Church at 812-384-8127 for drop off dates and times. Be a blessing to others this Christmas Season by participating in this mission opportunity.

GIFT IDEAS for Operation Christmas Child:

- For any age boy send a deflated soccer ball with a pump.
- New, nice short-sleeved shirts (with no writing) for boys and girls.
- Small flashlight with batteries
- Melamine plate, bowl, and/or cup
- Soap AND a plastic soap box / Toothbrush in a toothbrush holder.

- Pencils, erasers, colored pencils, and sharpeners, blue/black ink pens.
- For older kids send a simple watch, solar calculator or sunglasses
- For the youngest girls, a baby doll with light brown skin and no hair
- Toy car, truck or airplane for the youngest boys (NOT Matchbox size.

They are too small and don't do well in dirt.)

- Hair elastics or head bands for girls
- Jump ropes
- Band-Aids
- Hard candy
- Gum
- Comb
- Marbles
- Harmonica
- Socks

Nursery Ministry

One way to minister to people is to give them space to worship. Parents often need the few moments in church to be able to focus on God.

One agreement we make as a church family is to be supportive of parents in raising their children to know God. Do you feel called to minister to parents and children by being in the nursery one Sunday a month? If so, there is a sign-up sheet on the library counter.

Please see Sandy Clark 384-3257, Member of the Children's Ministry, for questions or additional information.



On-going Food Pantry Needs:

Tomato juice	Canned corn	Mac & Cheese
Boxed cereal	Canned green beans	Jiffy mix
Spaghetti sauce	Beef ravioli	
Ramen noodles	Spaghetti-o's	



Responsive Reading for Psalm 107:33-43 (NIV 1984)

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PEOPLE: and fruitful land into a salt waste, because of the wickedness of those who lived there.

LEADER: He turned the desert into pools of water and the parched ground into flowing springs;

PEOPLE: there he brought the hungry to live, and they founded a city where they could settle.

LEADER: They sowed fields and planted vineyards that yielded a fruitful harvest;

PEOPLE: he blessed them, and their numbers greatly increased, and he did not let their herds diminish.

LEADER: Then their numbers decreased, and they were humbled by oppression, calamity and sorrow; he who pours contempt on nobles made them wander in a trackless waste.

PEOPLE: But he lifted the needy out of their affliction, and increased their families like flocks.

LEADER: The upright see and rejoice, but all the wicked shut their mouths.

ALL: Whoever is wise, let him heed these things and consider the great love of the LORD.





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